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# TEXAS RAZA UNIDA PARTY



## 1974 STATE CONVENTION

HOUSTON, TEX.

SEPTEMBER 21-22

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## notes

### Welcome to Houston

In estos dos dias nos juntamos aqui en Houston, condado de Harris para discutir ideas, proponer ideas, criticar ideas y de cuales se determinara y se establesera la direccion del Partido Raza Unida de Tejas por dos anos mas. Pero a mas, unirnos para exponer tema de organizar politicamente en los pueblos de Raza..... Asi organizamos

Houston representa una economia imensa por ser la ciudad con mas habitantes en el estado, la ciudad central de oficinas de todas companias de petrolio sobre el mundo, la ciudad con los bancos controlados por los Bentleys y los Connallys y muchos igual, la ciudad con el contratista mas grande del mundo - Brown & Root, la ciudad con el quinto puerto de barcos mas grande en los Estados Unidos..... Aqui organizamos nosotros.

Houston da la historia del pueblo Chicano. En Houston paso la guerra de San Jacinto, el robo de Tejas, Aztlan. En Houston los barrios son los mas pobres en los Estados Unidos - District 87 State Representative. En Houston se caen las escuelas y se salen nuestros estudiantes..... Aqui organizamos nosotros.

En Houston votaron 17,000 por Ramsey Muniz en '72. El Barrio Segundo es Raza Unida, el Barrio Magnolia es Raza, el Barrio Port of Houston es Raza. Alrededor del centro es gente minoria..... Aqui organizamos nosotros.

Raza Unida Party members of Harris County are ready to assist you in any manner possible to help make your stay in Houston comfortable and worthwhile. The only reward we expect from all our efforts is the final product of this convention. We ask that you work hard and utilize all the talent and resources we know Raza Unida Party members possess. A strong, hard working, spirited and unified party can win for the people in 1974. When you leave this convention and our city, realize that we will capture 20% of the vote and we will elect Raza Unida Party members to the state legislature for we realize you will do the same. Gracias y Victoria En '74.

# Agenda

## SEPTEMBER 17, 1974

7 P.M. Convention called to order by Alberto Luera;  
Temporary Chairperson, Webb County.

7:00 Appointment of Temporary Officers:  
Lucy Gonzales; Secretary, Harris County.

7:15 Roll Call of Delegates Present:  
Bexar-1 Delegate  
Harris-17 Delegates  
Webb-1 Delegate

7:30 Welcome Address, Temporary Chairperson.

7:45 Recess Until 9 am Saturday, September 21, 1974.

## SEPTEMBER 21, 1974

9 A.M. Call Convention to Reconvene by Temporary  
Chairperson.

9:15 Appointment of Temporary Sergeant-at-Arms.

9:30 Orientation and Instructions.

10:00 Roll Call of Temporary Delegates by  
Credentials Committee.

10:15 Temporary Credentials Committee Report.

10:20 Adoption of Raza Unida Party Rules.  
Temporary Rules Committee Report  
(See Article II).

# Agenda

10:30 Nomination and Election of Permanent Convention Officers:  
a) Convention Nominations Made from Floor  
b) Elect Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

11:15 Welcome Address.  
Tatcho Mindiola, Raza Unida Party Chairperson,  
Harris County.  
Mario Compean, Chairperson, Raza Unida Party.

NOON Lunch.

1:30 Reconvene.

1:45 Address by Ramsey Muniz, Raza Unida Party Candidate for Governor, Nueces County.

1974. 2:15 Caucus and:  
1) Election of State Executive Committee (Article 13.38 Texas Election Code)  
2) Nominations and election of members to the Congreso de Aztlan, National Raza Unida Party. (Texas Raza Unida Party allowed 3 delegates, 3 alternates)\*  
3) Nomination and Election of Permanent Committee Members:  
Organization  
Credentials  
Rules and Order of Business  
Platform and Rules

4) Nomination and Election for State Office:  
Chairperson  
Vice-chairperson  
(Nominations to be made from floor)

5:30 Address by Fred Garza, Raza Unida Party Candidate for Railroad Commission.

\*Raza Unida National Party recommends at least one delegate be a woman

# Agenda

6:00        Recess  
9:00        Social - White Hall Hotel Ballroom

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1974

9:30 a.m. Convention Reconvenes  
Announcements

10:00      Permanent Committee Reports  
Organization  
Credentials  
Rules and Order of Business  
Platform and Resolutions

11:30      Address by Amiri Baraka, Secretary General  
National Black Political Assembly.

NOON       Address by Jose Angel Gutierrez, Chairperson  
National Raza Unida Party.

12:30      Film: "Yo Soy Chicano".

1:00       Closing Address by Chairperson, Raza Unida  
Party State Executive Committee.

1:30       Adjournment.

**IF NOT US WHO ?**  
**IF NOT NOW WHEN ?**

# **por Mario Compean**

**Texas State Chairperson**

Welcome to the 1974 Raza Unida Party State Convention. In our young history as an independent political party in the state of Texas we have accomplished many things. Since the Birth of our party in 1970 in Zavala, Dimmit, La Salle, and Hidalgo counties, we have now become a new alternative in the political life of this state. We are now a party that is legally recognized throughout the state of Texas. With all of these accomplishments of organizing the Partido throughout the State and electing people to offices and capturing control of local governments, we are now ready to take on a heavier responsibility and a New Task.

From now until November 5th we have to work harder than ever before to help and elect all Partido candidates. But more important, we have to work to insure that a stronger Partido and organization will result from all the work that we do. After the election in November we have to make sure that the Partido will continue to be a Party that the Chicano community can respect and believe in. A Partido that belongs to us and is ours, and belongs to nobody else, and will be ours for all time to come. Con la voz y el apollo de todos ustedes, Venceremos.

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# **GRAN BAILE**

**BENEFIT FOR RAZA UNIDA PARTY**

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**9 - 1 AM**

La raza unida es la voz  
Del Mexico-American  
Es la fuerza, es el valor  
Del oprimido Chicano

Ya basta, votar sin meta  
Con Ofrecimientos vanos  
Hagamos valer lo nuestro  
En nuestra tierra texana.

La raza unida es el grito  
Es la causa, es el derecho  
Es el quejido infinito  
Que llevamos en el pecho

La raza unida ha mostrado  
Lo que vale, nuestra gente  
Buen oriente a señalado  
Usemos pues nuestra mentes

Dad impulso y simpatia  
A sus esforzados líderes  
Que buscan amor y patria  
A nuestros, hijos que siguen.

Corpus Christi, Texas  
Junio de 1972

# Temporary Committees

In accordance with Article IX, Section 1 of the Raza Unida Party Rules the following temporary pre-convention committees and committee chairpersons were appointed by the chairperson of the Raza Unida Party

**State Executive Committee:**

Arrangements

Lucy Gonzales, Harris County, Chairperson.  
Tatcho Mindiola, Jr., Harris County.  
Elvia Rios, Harris County.  
Irma Mireles, Bexar County.

Credentials

Ino Alvarez, Travis County, Chairperson.  
Jose Maldonado, Cameron County.  
Maria Puente, Tarrant County.  
Ciro Rodriguez, Bexar County.

Platform and Resolutions

Juana Luera, Webb County, Chairperson.  
Ramon Vasquez, Bexar County.  
Arturo Eureste, Harris County.  
Carlos Puente, Tarrant County.

Rules

Virginia Muzquiz, Zavala County, Chairperson.  
Vicente Molina, Webb County.  
Richard Garza, Harris County.  
Jose Rangel, Lubbock County.

# LOS CANDIDATOS

Governor

Ramsey Muñiz

Railroad Commissioner

Fred R. Garza

State Representative

	District		
Raul Perez	57-A	Bexar County	
Jose Luis Montalvo	" 57-H	Bexar "	
Daniel Meza	" 57-J	Bexar "	
Laurencio Peña	" 58	Brooks "	
Fernando Lopez	"	Dallas "	
Reuben Rabago, Jr.	" 79	Harris "	
Maria D. Jiménez	" 87	Harris "	
Victor Vega	" 97	Harris "	
Carlos Quirino	" 75 Pl. 1	Lubbock Cy.	
Dr. Jorge Treviño	" 48-3	Nueces County	
Joel Leroy Castillo	" 32-9	Tarrant "	
Paz Peña	" Pl. 1	Travis "	
Ino Alvarez	" 2	Travis "	
Emilio Zamora	" 3	Travis "	
Armando Gutierrez	" 4	Travis "	
Elpidio Lizcano	" 70	Zavala County	

County Seats

R. Jose Tinajero	Cy. Com., Pct. 2	El Paso Cy.
Arnoldo F. Hernandez	County Judge	Frio County
Gloria V. Cantú	County Clerk	Frio "
Amalia Yanez	Cy. Treasurer	Frio "
Joe M. Rodriguez	Cy. Com., Pct. 2	Frio "
Domingo R. Zapata	Cy. Com., Pct. 4	Frio "
Estanislado Ramos	Cy. Com., Pct. 2	Hidalgo Cy.
Andres Hinojosa, Jr.	Cy. Com., Pct. 4	Jim Hogg Cy.
Raul Villarreal	Cy. Com., Pct. 4	Jim Wells Cy.
Raul G. Martinez, Jr.	County Judge	La Salle Cy.
Daniel Carbajal	County Clerk	La Salle Cy.
Juan M. Sobrevilla	Cy. Treasurer	La Salle Cy.
Juan Jiménez	Cy. School Supt.	La Salle Cy.
Francisco B. Flores	Cy. Com., Pct. 2	La Salle Cy.
Carlos González	Cy. Com., Pct. 4	La Salle Cy.

County Seats (Con't)

Fernando González	Cy. Com., Pct. 2	Lubbock Cy.
Norberto Capetillo	Cy. Com., Pct. 4	Lubbock Cy.
Richard Ante	Cy. Com., Pct. 4	Travis County
Juan Hipolito	Cy. Treasurer	Travis "
Dr. Jose Torres	Cy. School Supt.	Travis "
Jose Angel Gutierrez	County Judge	Zavala "
Rosa Mata	County Clerk	Zavala "
Carmen Flores	Cy. Treasurer	Zavala "
Virginia Musquiz	County Clerk	Zavala "
Hortencia Treviño	Cy. Com., Pct. 2	Zavala "
Esteban Najera	Cy. Com., Pct. 4	Zavala "
<u>Constable</u>		
Ricardo Enriquez	Constable, Pct. 3	El Paso "
Jesus M. Viramontes	Constable, Pct. 5	El Paso "
Roberto P. V. Treviño	Constable, Pct. 3	Frio "
<u>Justice of the Peace</u>		
Magdaleno Cisneros	J. P., Pct. 3	El Paso "
Eduardo Villarreal	J. P., Pct. 1	Frio "
Josephine B. Donna	J. P., Pct. 2	Frio "
Jose Trujillo	J. P., Pct. 3	Frio "
Elva Diana Flores	J. P., Pct. 4	Frio "
Pedro B. Gonzalez	J. P., Pct. 1	La Salle "
Raul González	J. P., Pct. 3	La Salle "
Irene M. Cuellar	J. P., Pct. 1	Zavala "
Benito Perez	J. P., Pct. 2	Zavala "
Rosa Quijano	J. P., Pct. 4	Zavala "

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# **por Fred Garza**

**Candidate for RR Comm.**

Representation of the people of Texas stands out as the most important issue in the year 1974. Raza Unida Party stands for fair and honest representation of the people's interest, not those of giant corporations. We must unite as never before! We must work as never before to defeat this small interest group that puts profit before the welfare of the people. At present there is no way that democracy or representation and the Texas Railroad Commission can be linked or associated. Let us change this! Let us return the government to the people! VICTORIA EN '74 y QUE VIVA LA RAZA UNIDA.



## **\*\*\*Silk Screen**

The silk screen is a device that can be used by Raza Unida Party people in order to save money on printing posters. With the cost of labor at an all time high, it is very obvious that going to a printer for all printed material is going to be expensive. Printers have to eat, but so do Raza Unida people. By silk screening, the partido organization only has to pay for the material needed., and not for the costly labor to print all the signs needed to win an election with a certain amount of quality.

Silk screening is very easy to learn and one need not be an artist to produce some good looking posters. All you need is a ruler and a little bit of ingenuity. The Harris County Raza Unida and many other counties already have silk screening facilities, but for those that still lack them, you are invited to see how silk screening works and learn how to build your own silk screen. A free booklet will be passed out and the training will only take about 15 minutes. Every county should have these type of facilities for they can cut printing costs for signs by about 50%. Please look for information on the training sessions and come by. Gracias..

# **por Ramsey Muñiz**

**Candidate for Governor**

Skeptics sneered at our united efforts to break with the Democratic Party in order to build a new party. Since January, 1970, our energies have been directed at building a new party in Texas. We succeeded in 1972 at not only collecting the required signatures to earn a place on the ballot but also made Briscoe the first governor to hold the office in spite of a majority of the electorate voting against him.

Because we have succeeded in breaking away more than one quarter million voters from the Democratic Party, the legislature controlled by that same party, in 1973 passed a law requiring of us twenty percent of the total vote in order to remain a major party in Texas.

We will triumph again.

The people of Texas view our party as a new hope. We are the party for the future. The voters of Texas will slap Briscoe and his party with a deafening defeat. Citizens want a change. Citizens demand a new governor. With your continued dedication and hard work, I will be that new governor.

Together, you and I, will turn a new page in Texas history. People together behind the nominees of the Raza Unida Party will make our party bigger, stronger and victorious on November 5, 1974.

The General Election is but 46 days away. Let us pledge today to emerge from our convention a solid block of concerned and committed citizens armed with vigorous leadership, a strong platform and a greater will to win. Si se puede en '74.





**RAMSEY MUÑIZ**

para Gobernador de Tejas